## Walt Smith Torrington



Walt began coaching in 1989 and has coached exclusively at Torrington Middle School. During his 26 year career to date he has coached over 1,500 athletes in Volleyball, Football, Girls' and Boys' Basketball, and Girls' and Boys' Track.

> His honors and service include: WCA JH/MS Coach of the Year (1999) WCA Board of Director's South JH/MS Representative (2004-12) WCA President-Elect (2012-2014) WCA President (2014-Present) WCA Gold Milestone - Girls' Basketball, Girls' and Boys' Track (2011) WCA Silver Milestone - Volleyball (2011) WCA Bronze Milestone - Boys' Basketball (2011)

His biggest honor and privilege is being part of the Torrington Track and Field Program. He has served as Assistant and Head Coach at TMS while coaching the Shot Put for 15 years and Discus for 25 years. He has helped build an interest in, strong foundation for, and beginning successes to 93 eventual state Girls' and Boys' Shot Put and Discus placers, which includes 16 state champions. Torrington's Girls' and Boys' Track teams have had 23 top 5 finishes including 6 Runner-Up and 6 State Championships. He gives all the credit for his success to the great athletes he coached, while having the support and guidance of many individuals, especially his wife Kathy. Without her, none of this would have been possible.